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"LYSATE CLEARANCE AND NUCLEIC ACID ISOLATION USING SILANIZED SILICA MATRICES"

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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted, which was mailed February 6, 2001 and a copy of which is attached. Enclosed is a Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Also enclosed is the Preliminary Amendment, referenced in the Declaration, and a check for \$166.00 which includes \$36 for two additional dependent claims and the surcharge amount of \$130.00 for the late filing of the Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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